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NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

ILLINOIS

STATE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS,

MADE TO THE

GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS,

IN PURSUANCE OF LAW.

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REPORT.

To His Excellency, JOSEPH W. FIFER, Governor of the State of Illinois:

SIR—Having received instructions from the State Board of Dental Examiners to prepare and make the annual report of the Board required by law, I hereby submit the same, being the ninth report since the organization of the Board in 1881.

During the year elapsing since the last report of this Board, it has held the two regular meetings required by law, the first at Springfield on May 12th, 13th, and 14th, and the second also at Springfield on November 11th. A special meeting was also held in Chicago on June 20th and 21st for the consideration of certain matters pending before the Board.

At the May meeting seven candidates, and at the November meeting two candidates, were duly examined by the Board, and having been found qualified were duly licensed to practice in this State.

In addition, there have been issued during the year, one license upon special examination, and 94 licenses without examination, to holders of regular diplomas of reputable dental colleges as required by law, making a total number of 104 licenses issued during the year.

There is also in force at this date one temporary license.

I herewith submit a statement of receipts and disbursements, showing a balance on hand of \$54.82.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand at last report.....	\$14 67	
Received from 94 licenses on diplomas.....	94 00	
Received from 10 licenses on examination.....	20 00	
Total receipts.....		\$128 67

DISBURSEMENTS.

For postage on last annual report.....	\$13 20	
For postage on correspondence.....	3 50	
For expressage and telegrams.....	4 70	
For stenographer and addressing reports.....	4 50	
For printing and stationery.....	30 95	
For expenses of two members attending special meeting.....	17 00	
Total disbursements.....	\$73 85	
Balance on hand.....	54 82	\$128 67

The painful deficiency of the law of this state regarding the practice of dentistry becomes more and more apparent year by year, especially in the light of recent legislation by other states. Within the last two years almost every state which previously had no law on this subject, has enacted such legislation, and several states which had such laws, but which, like our own, were of doubtful efficiency, have enacted advanced and effective legislation, which is proving very satisfactory in accomplishing the ends desired, and in cases brought before the courts has been fully sustained. In this regard Illinois is now far in the rear of many states of much less importance, and less advanced in either age or progress.

The Board is without means of enforcing the law, and its members pay their traveling and hotel expenses in attending meetings, and receive no per diem, although the law provides that they should. The lack of revenue is owing to the ridiculously small fees allowed by our law, which needs revision in this and many other particulars. One of the most difficult positions in which the Board finds itself, is a consequence of the provision of the present law, making the Board the judge as to the reputability of dental colleges, instead of examining individual applicants regardless of diplomas, as is done in the later laws of other states. It is impossible to exercise this power without creating enmities and opposition, and the only true plan appears to be that outlined above.

Your Excellency is most earnestly requested to bring the subject to the notice of the General Assembly and to recommend to it the passage of a dental law, embodying the above provisions, and in other respects such as shall at least place Illinois on a par with its sister commonwealths in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

C. STODDARD SMITH,
Secretary.

CHICAGO, December 15, 1890.

AN ACT

To insure the better Education of Practitioners of Dental Surgery, and to Regulate the Practice of Dentistry in the State of Illinois. Approved May 30, 1881.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:* That it shall be unlawful for any person, who is not, at the time of the passage of this act, engaged in the practice of dentistry in this State, to commence such practice, unless such person shall have received a diploma from the faculty of some reputable dental college, duly authorized by the laws of this State, or some other of the United States, or by the laws of some foreign country, in which college or colleges there was, at the time of the issue of such diploma, annually delivered a full course of lectures and instructions in dental surgery: *Provided*, That any person removing into this State, who shall have been, for a period of ten years prior to such removal, a practicing dentist, and provided, also, that any person holding the diploma of doctor of medicine from any reputable medical college, shall be entitled to practice dentistry in this State, upon obtaining a license for that purpose as hereinafter provided; and nothing in this act shall be construed to prohibit any physician or surgeon from extracting teeth.

§ 2. A Board of Examiners, to consist of five practicing dentists, is hereby created, whose duty it shall be to carry out the purposes and enforce the provisions of this act. The members of said board shall be appointed by the Governor. The term for which the members of said board shall hold their offices shall be five years, except that the members of the board first to be appointed under this act shall hold their offices for the term of one, two, three, four and five years, respectively, and until their successors shall be duly appointed. In case of a vacancy occurring in said Board, such vacancy shall be filled by the Governor.

§ 3. Said Board shall choose one of its members president, and one the secretary thereof, and it shall meet at least once in each year, and as much oftener and at such times and places as it may deem necessary. A majority of said board shall at all times constitute a quorum, and the proceedings thereof shall at all reasonable times be open to public inspection.

§ 4. It shall be the duty of every person who is engaged in the practice of dentistry in this State, within six months from the date of the passage of this act, to cause his or her name and residence or place of business to be registered with said Board of Examiners, who shall keep a book for that purpose; and every person who shall so register with said board as a practitioner of dentistry, may continue to practice the same as such, without incurring any of the liabilities or penalties provided in this act.

§ 5. No person whose name is not registered on the books of said board as a regular practitioner of dentistry, within the time prescribed in the preceding section, shall be permitted to practice dentistry in this State until such person shall have been duly examined by said board and regularly licensed in accordance with the provisions of this act.

§ 6. Any and all persons, who shall so desire, may appear before said board at any of its regular meetings and be examined with reference to their knowledge and skill in dental surgery, and if the examination of any such person or persons shall prove satisfactory to said board, the Board of Examiners shall issue to such persons as they shall find from the examination to possess the requisite qualifications, a license to practice dentistry in accordance with the provisions of this act. But said board shall at all times issue a license to any regular graduate of any reputable dental college without examination, upon the payment by such graduate to the said board of a fee of one dollar. All licenses issued by said board shall be signed by the members thereof, and be attested by its president and secretary; and such license shall be *prima facie* evidence of the right of the holder to practice dentistry in the State of Illinois.

§ 7. Any member of said board may issue a temporary license to any applicant, upon the presentation by such applicant of the evidence of the necessary qualifications, to practice dentistry, and such temporary license shall remain in force until the next regular meeting of said board occurring after the date of such temporary license and no longer.

§ 8. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this act shall be liable to prosecution before any court of competent jurisdiction, upon information or by indictment, and upon conviction may be fined not less than twenty-five dollars, nor more than fifty dollars for each and every offense. All fines recovered under this act shall be paid into the common school fund of the county in which such conviction takes place.

§ 9. In order to provide the means for carrying out and maintaining the provisions of this act, the said Board of Examiners may charge each person applying to or appearing before them for examination for license to practice dentistry, a fee of two dollars, and out of the funds coming into the possession of the board from the fees so charged, the members of said board may receive as compensation the sum of five dollars for each day actually engaged in the duties of their office, and all legitimate and necessary expenses incurred in attending the meetings of said board. Said expenses shall be paid from the fees and penalties received by the board under the provisions of this act. And no part of the salary or other expenses of the board shall ever be paid out of the State Treasury. All moneys received in excess of said per diem allowance, and other expenses above provided for, shall be held by the secretary of said board as a special fund for meeting the expenses of said board, he giving such bond as the board shall from time to time direct. And said board shall make an annual report of its proceedings to the Governor, by the 15th day of December of each year, together with an account of all moneys received and disbursed by them pursuant to this act.

§ 10. Any person who shall be licensed by said board to practice dentistry, shall cause his or her license to be registered with the county clerk of any county or counties in which such person may desire to engage in the practice of dentistry, and the county clerks of the several counties in this State shall charge for registering such license a fee of twenty-five cents for each registration. Any failure, neglect or refusal on the part of any person holding such license to register the same with the county clerk as above directed, for a period of six months, shall work a forfeiture of the license, and no license, when once forfeited, shall be restored, except upon the payment to the said Board of Examiners of the sum of twenty-five dollars as a penalty for such neglect, failure or refusal.

INSTRUCTIONS TO APPLICANTS FOR LICENSE.

The law provides but two methods for obtaining license to practice dentistry in this State, to wit: Regular graduates of dental colleges recognized as reputable, can obtain license upon submitting proper evidence of such fact to the Board, or to its Secretary in the interim between the meetings; all others must submit to an examination.

LICENSES ON DIPLOMAS.

Holders of regular diplomas from reputable dental colleges can obtain license as follows:

On application to the Secretary, a blank form for verifying the diploma will be furnished. Upon receiving this, the applicant will properly fill out the same, making oath as to its correctness before a notary or other officer having a seal. When convenient the diploma itself should be exhibited to the Secretary; if it is not convenient this may be waived at the discretion of the Secretary, but in this case it is necessary to attach the signature of two reputable persons who have seen the diploma and know the applicant, for which a proper place in the blank is prepared (registered dentists or physicians preferred). When so filled out and sworn to, the blank should be returned to the Secretary, with the fee of \$1.00, upon which license will be issued and delivered to the order of the licensee.

Appended is a list of colleges whose diplomas are now recognized as reputable by this Board. Holders of diplomas from colleges not here named must present them to the Secretary at or before the regular meetings of the Board, and apply for a license in order to obtain action of the Board. The Secretary cannot grant license upon any diploma until the college issuing it has been recognized by the Board itself. In such cases satisfactory proof of the reputability of the college must be furnished to the Board. (See "Schedule of Minimum Requirements," No. VII, p. 12, this report.)

LIST OF DENTAL COLLEGES NOW RECOGNIZED AS REPUTABLE.

1 American College of Dental Surgery.....	Chicago.
2 Baltimore College of Dental Surgery	Baltimore, Md.
3 Boston Dental College.....	Boston Mass.
4 Chicago College of Dental Surgery.....	Chicago.
5 Indiana Dental College.....	Indianapolis, Ind.
6 Kansas City Dental College.....	Kansas City, Mo.
7 Louisville Dental College.....	Louisville, Ky.

*8	Minnesota College Hospital.....	Minneapolis, Minn.
9	Missouri Dental College.....	St. Louis, Mo.
10	National University, Dental Department.....	Washington, D. C.
†11	Northwestern College of Dental Surgery.....	Chicago.
12	New York Dental College.....	New York.
13	New Orleans Dental College.....	New Orleans, La.
14	Ohio College of Dental Surgery.....	Cincinnati, O.
15	Philadelphia Dental College.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
16	Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery.....	Philadelphia, Pa.
17	Royal College of Surgeons, Dental Department.....	Edinburgh, Scotland.
†18	Royal College of Dental Surgeons.....	Toronto, Canada.
19	University of Pennsylvania, Dental Department.....	Philadelphia.
20	University of Michigan, Dental Department.....	Ann Arbor, Mich.
21	University of Iowa, Dental Department.....	Iowa City, Iowa.
22	University of Tennessee, Dental Department.....	Nashville, Tenn.
23	University of Maryland, Dental Department.....	Baltimore, Md.
24	University Dental College.....	Chicago.
25	Vanderbilt University, Dental Department.....	Nashville, Tenn.
26	Western College of Dental Surgery.....	St. Louis, Mo.

LICENSES ON EXAMINATION.

All persons not holding diplomas from colleges recognized by the Board as reputable, must appear for examination at meetings of the Board. If they desire to commence practice before the regular meeting of the Board of Examiners, they must apply to some member of the Board for examination for temporary license, which, if issued, will be valid until the next meeting of the Board, at which time the person holding a temporary license must appear before the Board for final examination.

The following are the rules of the Board relating to examinations for temporary and permanent licenses, and the recognition of diplomas:

RULE III—EXAMINATIONS.

1. All examinations by this Board shall be in writing, and conducted in the English language; and, when practicable, a practical demonstration in operative and prosthetic dentistry shall be required at the expense of the applicant.

2. The following classification of subjects for examination shall be adopted, not less than 10 nor more than 30 questions to be asked on each subject:

1. Theory and practice, and clinical dentistry.
2. Anatomy, histology and surgery.
3. Physiology, pathology and therapeutics.
4. Prosthetic dentistry, hygiene and deformities.
5. Chemistry, materia medica and metallurgy.

3. The general average shall be not less than 75 per cent. to entitle the applicant to a license. *Provided*, that any applicant presenting satisfactory evidence of 10 years' continuous practice shall not be required to obtain more than 50 per cent. average in all branches, aside from theory and practice and prosthetic dentistry.

4. Hereafter, candidates for examination, for either temporary or permanent licenses, shall be required to present satisfactory evidence of having had three years' continuous practical instruction, as a first step in such examination, such evidence to be verified by affidavit when required.

*Not in existence.

†By resolution of the Board the recognition of the Northwestern College of Dental Surgery was suspended as to diplomas dated subsequent to September, 1889, until further action by the Board.

‡Prior to June, 1885, only.

RULE IV.—TEMPORARY LICENSES.

The spirit of the Dental Law limits the legitimate use of the temporary license to the cases of qualified practitioners desiring to enter at once into practice, without waiting for the regular meetings of the Board, and does not contemplate that the members of the Board should grant them as a means of enabling unqualified applicants to qualify; nor does it contemplate renewals of such licenses; but it does require that the holders should present themselves at the next regular meeting of the Board for permanent license.

RULE V.—PERMANENT LICENSES.

No permanent license shall be issued to any candidate on examination except after examination by the Board at a regular meeting.

RULE VI.—RECOGNITION OF DIPLOMAS.

The following was adopted by the Board at the meeting in September, 1889:

In order to obtain recognition by the Board as reputable under the law, dental colleges must conform strictly to the following

SCHEDULE OF MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

I. CONDITIONS FOR MATRICULATION.

1. Certificate of good moral character.
2. Evidence of a good English education, to be shown by a diploma from a recognized literary or scientific institution, high or normal school, or first grade teacher's certificate, or, in the absence of these, an examination in the branches of a good English education.

II. FULL COURSES OF DIDACTIC LECTURES AND INSTRUCTION.

These must each be of not less than five months duration and be held in separate years, with practical instruction intervening between the courses. The following subjects must be embraced in the curriculum, viz.: Anatomy, histology, surgery, physiology, pathology and hygiene, materia medica, chemistry, therapeutics, operative or clinical dentistry, prosthetic dentistry and deformities, and metallurgy. There must also be proper clinical instruction in the operating rooms and practical work in the chemical and prosthetic laboratories and dissecting rooms.

III. ATTENDANCE ON EXAMINATIONS, QUIZZES AND CLINICS.

Attendance upon the entire courses as named above will be required, deductions of not exceeding 20 per cent. to be allowed for sickness and unavoidable absence. Quizzes must be held at least once each week in each branch.

IV. CONDITIONS OF GRADUATION; TIME OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES.

Candidates for graduation must have attended two full regular courses of lectures as above stated, and must pass satisfactory examinations in the above named branches. They must also furnish credible evidence of having spent not less than three calendar years in the study of dental surgery, or medicine, surgery and dental surgery, in which last case not less than two full calendar years must have been spent in the study of dental surgery proper, and all these studies must have been under the direction of a competent preceptor.

After June, 1892, this Board will recognize as reputable only such colleges as require, as a condition of graduation, attendance upon three full courses of lectures, with conditions as prescribed above.

V. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.

The college must have suitable and proper facilities and equipment as regards lectures, chemical laboratory, dissecting rooms, operating rooms and prosthetic laboratory, all the practical instruction to be under the constant direction of qualified superintendents or demonstrators.

VI. ADVANCED STANDING; REQUIREMENTS AND CONDITIONS.

Applicants for advanced standing must be required to furnish a certificate from the dean or other officer of some college recognized as reputable, showing that such student has matriculated and attended the lectures and clinics of one or more courses as required in Rule III, and if such certificate does not show that the student has passed all the branches embraced in the course or courses attended, he must be submitted to and must pass an examination in the same, before being admitted to the advanced standing.

But this rule shall not be so construed as to prevent an examination in all such branches before admission, at the option of the faculty.

VII. APPLICATIONS FOR RECOGNITION.

The secretary is not authorized to issue the license of the Board upon diplomas of colleges not previously recognized. Any such colleges in order to obtain recognition must, either through their officers or graduates, make application to the Board, accompanying it with authenticated copies of the announcements, schedules of lectures, quiz and examination questions, or so much of them as the Board may require to form an intelligent judgment; and there should also be furnished a statement of the equipment and facilities of the institution, and its legal status in other states, particularly its home state, if not located in Illinois.

VIII. RIGHTS RESERVED.

In recognizing dental colleges the Board reserves the right to withdraw such recognition at any time, upon proof that any college has not fully complied with this schedule of requirements; and the secretary is instructed to suspend such recognition, pending an investigation, when any charges or facts shall come under his cognizance affecting the standing of such college.

IX. ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.

In addition to the minimum requirements of the Board, colleges will be held to a strict compliance with all of their own published requirements, and to the observance of all rules which they profess to observe; and any material deviation therefrom, coming to the knowledge of the Board or its secretary, will be held to be sufficient grounds for suspension of recognition as above stated.

COMPLAINTS.

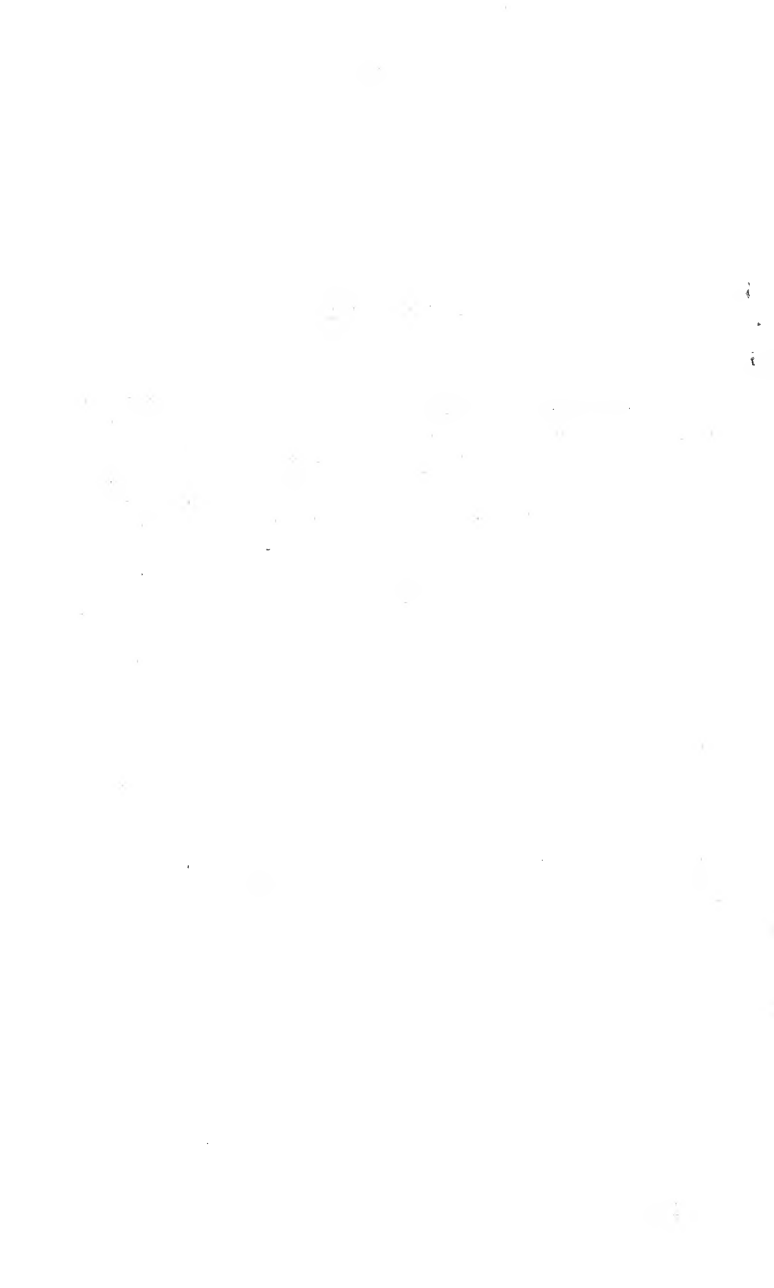
Every person practicing dentistry in this State whose name is not upon the books of the Board, is practicing dentistry contrary to law, and will be liable to prosecution. Upon complaint being made to the secretary, a warning notice will be sent such delinquent, provided the full and correct name and address of the party be given. No attention will be paid to anonymous complaints, but all communications are treated as confidential.

In the absence of a revenue for the support of the law and the prosecution of offenders, the Board can not be expected to undertake prosecutions throughout the State, and the furnishing of witnesses and other evidence, must be left to the party commencing the action. The prosecuting attorney of the county should have his attention called to any case where the warning of the secretary has been disregarded.

BOARD MEETINGS.

The regular meetings of the Board will be held on the Monday before the second Tuesday in May, and on the second Tuesday in November in each year. The May meeting will be held at such time and place as the Illinois State Dental Society may meet, of which due notice will be found in the dental journals. The November meetings will be held at the State House, in Springfield. The next meeting will be held at Bloomington, **May 11, 1891.**

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